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MARTENS came to this

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 18, 1920.

Thank Heaven We Are Out of It!

The first meeting of the League of May or June. Certain it is that he Nations, organized under the sleazy held himself out as the business and Covenant which President Wilson in- political agent of the Communist re- riat, will set the mob a-going. sisted upon interweaving with the gime, and in this capacity openly ad-Treaty of Peace in a manner defying vertised his presence here while LEextrication, is expected to come to NINE and TROTZKY were energetically an end to-day at Geneva.

The situation as depicted in the ernment of the United States. reports to the newspapers most friendly to the League idea requires forming the functions of an agent of be ridiculous if it did not involve con- this country American soldiers were sequences, actual and probable, noth- in Archangel fighting LENINE and world Instead of Illustrating that Soviet Russians. with a split and a squabble between killed by, United States soldiers on Council and Assembly amounting al- Russian soil. most to internecine war. Such was But Martens was not deported at the inevitable fate of a scheme of that time. Instead, his presence here organization conceived in generous was tolerated. It is true he was not emotions and presented in high sound- recognized by the Government of the Legislature. ing but elusive phraseology.

Thus we are candidly told by the never recognized the Lenine and correspondent of the New York Times Trotzky dictatorship; but he was perthat the controversy over the refusal mitted to remain here at liberty, purof the Council to permit the Assem- suing the course mapped out for him bly's Committee on Mandates to su- by those who sent him. fect the future of the League of months have elapsed since the war-

The correspondent of the New York | ceedings was issued. Now the Secre-World reports "a sharp conflict" be- tary of Labor, acting with the aptween the two legislative bodies, and proval of the President, has ordered further informs us that Lord ROBERT MARTENS deported, but his counsel CECIL, speaking from the Assembly's holds that the Communist representapoint of view, "stigmatized the Coun- tive still may appeal to the courts. understood by the old time diplomats, would be vain to attempt to prophesy secret diplomacy." This is a suffi- when, if ever, it will be rid of him. elently distressing picture of what was to be the home and perpetual injure the United States at home or headquarters of "open covenants, abroad is beside the point. His ex-

As to the Evening Post, its reporter things: the statute for the deportaon the spot is ominously reticent; but tion of undesirable aliens is hopehe does contribute the interesting in- lessly insufficient or the enforcement formation that the British representa- of that law by the Federal Administives of the old odious, selfish diplo- tration is hopelessly in macy are claiming "that the freedom der such circumstances as are disof trade clause in their Mesopotamian closed in the Martens case the law mandate does not apply to their oil written to protect the United States monopoly there because the monopoly from the operations of alien enemies antedates the mandate"!

Altogether, the finale of the last act of the Geneva session of 1920, as portrayed in yesterday's despatches, war- The annual report of General Dovo- year rants the belief that the wild, fierce LAS MACABTHUE, Superintendent of animals in the Ark of the Covenant the United States Military Academy, asking for ninety-eight more employhave broken loose and got beyond the contains one passage which will en- ees and for salary increases adding control of Noah or any of his progeny, gage the attention of every American more than \$400,000 a year to its pay and are proceeding to devour the who believes that eternal vigilance roll. It ought to be made to get smaller creatures without mercy and and systematic preparedness are the price of national safety.

Summed up impartially, the net results of the first meeting of the League while the reorganization bill of June supergovernment are not achieve- 4 practically doubled the size of the ments but failures to achieve; dis officer personnel of the Regular Army \$2,000,000 a year. For new salaries couragements and not encouragements it failed to provide for any increase for those who have hoped that the whatever in the supply of officers from than \$5,000,000 is asked. But there rainbow might materialize into a per- West Point. The Military Academy manent and glorious archway of en- was left with the same authorized a heavy increase but a heavy reductrance into a new and better age.

admitted to membership, and one for educated officers. Even on the or hold the services of efficient workgreater Power, Argentina, has with- peace basis it cannot supply more ers, incompetent and useless salary drawn and gone home in disgust, than one-third of the required officers. drawers ought to be cut off to make There has been no satisfactory solu- The real question of reconstruction, up the difference and more. Probably tion of any of the prime problems as General MacARTHUR remarks, in there isn't a department in the State menacing the world's future peace, rather striking phrase, is now one of Government where such changes There has been an unpleasant reve- quantity rather than quality. lation of the expensive scale on which the Secretariat establishment of Sir nized the world over. It has been at the same time save many thou-Euro Drummonp is conducted. A the- fixed by the standards and spirit of sands of dollars. oretical Court of International Jus- the splendid institution up the Hudtice has been created, practically im- son River. potent because no provision has been The quantity is another thing. This for this year. It doesn't make any made, or can be made, for the physi- Republic's experience during the past difference whether the New York and cal enforcement of its decisions and three or four years proves that the New Jersey bridge enterprise calls decrees. No progress that counts has men to fight for the fing can be pro- for nearly seven and a half millions been effected in the direction of gen- duced in any real and great national of dollars, or State Fair Commissions eral disarmament. The mechanism of emergency without the permanent for a million and a quarter more this the supergovernmental concern has maintenance of a military force nu- year, or prisons for two and one-half proved itself to be impracticable, merically exceeding the standing army millions more, or hospitals for twelve There has been a clear recognition of indicated by our traditions and lim- and a quarter millions more, or charithe fact that the interpretation placed ited by reasonable considerations of table institutions for eight and a quarupon Article X, by apologists for the economical government. But the ter millions more, or highway con-Covenant was inaccurate and that the framework for emergency organization struction and other public works for apprehensions expressed in the Sen- should always be there; and the essen- thirteen and a half millions more it ate and elsewhere by those who op- tial feature of the framework is the docen't make any difference who it posed ratification were fully justified regular supply of officers finely trained is that wants it or what it is wanted as to the responsibilities incurred to command. thereunder. The theory of benevolent If preparedness is insurance, let us less, and not merely millions less but The Christmas gifts of Heaven to Earth

NEW YORK HERALD and ninety-nine year leaseholds, if the the country can pay for its future iteers are correctly represented in West Point and Annapolis at their be appropriated in any one year." vesterday's news. The vision of open full productive capacity. Ten West covenants, openly arrived at, has faded Points, if necessary, to do systemati- State for this year, including an exaway like the Cheshire Cat in "Alice cally and perfectly that which was isting surplus of \$18,745,595, are

advocating the overthrow of the Gov-

Moreover, while MARTENS was per-

In other words, the United State

becomes a mockery.

More West Points, if Needed.

General MacAsthus points out that

kept the United States out of the last thing a man of common sense and extraordinary disbursements. But the laws that are necessary to safefutile experiment and the disastrous does is to let his life insurance go to mess? What would have happened forfelt or to cancel the fire policies \$142,000,000 of resources which seem cept the desirable immigrant if these had we gone in is much clearer to- protecting his house and home.

Inviting Trouble.

to go in or to incur the penalty of who runs a bank in the hours he can nerstone yesterday of a new building the faith of the overfaithful. But such is the texture of the mugwump mind and nothing that can be said or one unusual thing-a bottle of fine old Scotch whiskey.

Making a Mockery of Law. Because he is a confirmed tectotaler In the deportation case of Lupwig C. A. K. MASTENS, the representative ple, Governor EDWARDS will not sufin the United States of the Lenine fer personal hardship from the internand Trotzky dictatorship in Russia, ment of this container and its much the Administration at Washington has sought contents. But has he given given to the world an amazing examthought to the temptation he has put ple of delay by Government officers in the way of thirstier mortals?

in the enforcement of law which prac-When the country hears that Jersey City has turned Bolshevik and the MARTENS came to this country in population is sacking the banks it 1916, a citizen of Germany. He as- will know the truth. Not political, MARTENS came to this country in serts that he was made a citizen of economic and social madness, but Russia by the provisional Govern-knowledge of the presence of that inment of that country in the following valuable flask will have stirred the commotion; the reek of the Highlands, not the uplift of the proleta-

State Government Squander.

The delirium for squander of the public's money grows worse everywhere. Along come the departments of the State Government with replain speaking. This situation would the Lenine and Trotzky autocracy in quests for the new Legislature to appropriate for their ordinary disbursements in 1921 \$201,644,292. This is ing short of tragic in their relation to TROTERY'S Bolshevik soldiers and in \$56,424,385 more than the total of the the ideals of lasting peace of the Siberia running railroads for the antidoes not include the \$4,000,000 which apocalyptic harmony upon which the If there ever was a time when de will be needed to start the Soldier hopeful have dwelt so rapturously as portation of Marrens was desirable Bonus Bond issue. It does not inthe presage of a new order of things it was when Bolshevik soldiers, rep- clude the more than \$20,000,000 subin international intercourse and in resented officially by him in the mitted without recommendation by human nature, the session winds up United States, were killing, and being the Superintendent of Public Works as wanted for construction items, counting \$12,500,000 for canal damage claims. It does not include any estimate of the special supplemental of the spirit of a great part of the appropriations always made by every

United States; the United States has gious estimates that the State is secret proceedings for the partition of year that steps were taken to rid the Asia Minor among the great European United States of this agent of the Asia Minor among the great European United States of this agent of the have come out with the plain truth Powers disguised as mandatories is Communist conspiracy to overthrow that the proposed spendings of the "really serious" and "may deeply af- our Government. Almost eleven Federal, State and municipal governments would simply turn the pockets of the public inside out and dynamite to paralyze the entire body. rant for his arrest in deportation proindustry and business.

There is nothing for the men o ense in the Legislature to do but refuse absolutely to appropriate such grossly excessive sums as are asked for-to refuse, in fact, to appropriate and said it was playing the old game, is not yet rid of Marrens, and it year. And there is nothing for Mr. MILLER, the new Governor, to do but use his veto weapon and all the other Whether MARTENS has been able to executive power at his command to cut the very life out of the mendings and compel all the departments to perience demonstrates one of two get along on a sane, rock bottom

Here is the Secretary of State, for of dollars less than last time and be compelled to make the best of it hunting of the rodent. This can be done by killing his request for \$850,000 more for printing thousands spent for that purpose this

Here is the Industrial Commission along with fewer instead of more men than it now has

Here are all the departments asking for 1,560 new office holders calling for new salaries of more than that if he'd left tobacco alone he might and increased salaries together more ought to be on the State payrolls not strength of 1,334 cadets that it had gion of the number of salary drawers. Some more small nations have been previously to the enlarged demand When pay has to be raised to obtain could not be made to take care of The quality is all right and is recog- rewards to deserving employees and

For new construction \$56,000,000 ore is asked than was appropriated for, all must be made to get along with mandates has disclosed its true in say again, as this newspaper has said tens of millions less. And they can, swardness in the shape of nine hundred before, the least expensive premium for, as the Budget Committee says,

"they have no thought or expectations actual purposes of the cerritorial prof- security is in the maintenance of that the total amount requested will

in Wonderland" until nothing is left done so magnificently but so hastily of it but the grin.

In viewing these results, what can there be but gratitude to those who in cutting down living expenses the state of the case of unskilled labor, and Europe the tens of millions more on special increase of unskilled labor, and Europe the tens of millions more on special increase of unskilled labor, and Europe the tens of millions more on special increase of unskilled labor, and Europe the tens of millions more on special increase. to be in sight. The sound heads in laws are properly enforced. Governor Edwards of New Jersey, chamber must not tolerate it. Unless admission lies with the Department they sweep out of the State Govern- Labor, which has been and still is who runs a bank in the hours he can ment all the needless and costly com- only inefficient but honeycombed spare from official duties, laid the cormissions and bureaus that can be officials of Bolshevik tendencies. swept out and put those that cannot for the institution over which he pre- be swept out on a starvation diet, sides and packed away behind it the unless they hold every single depart. Administration. usual coins, newspapers, records and ment down to old fashioned, gripping in practice, though a wet in princi- business of this State as the voters of New York elected them to do and demand that they shall do.

Horton, a Good Policeman.

Through the cloud that hangs over ment must be proud and grateful. That is the act, fatal to himself, in

ways on duty, when he saw a gang of robbers at work. Of course he did not shirk his job; and when the robfought them long after he knew that they were not only armed but trying to kill him. They did kill him, but with his last breath he was able to give the license number of the car and thus to bring about the arrest of the criminals-all but the one he had

very properly killed in self-defence. Horron was one of the country boys who were attracted to the New York police force when General GREENE was Commissioner, and for seventeen years he had been the kind think is looking out for its safety. His last act, in its readiness, intelligence and fine courage, was symbolic police force.

We read that Hosron years Budget Committee, says of these egre- Police Lieutenants Association of ter attends. At both schools objection which RICHARD E. ENBIGHT was the engaged in many activities that it head. We read that Engight, as could just as well get along without Commissioner, later banished Horron at such a time as this. He adds that to distant and undesirable posts. But has been the recipient of like prejudiced which has squeezed the head of the police organization until it is a pulpy and useless mass, has not been able

The incident of Hosron may have beginning to despair of the police force generally. There is no need to lose hope. All the police force needs is a new Police Commissioner, appointed by a new Mayor.

Dr. Copeland and the Rats.

The Health Commissioner's plea for a rat proof city is something that unfortunate thing about this theory passed by the sidewalk auditor is that it would cost, according to Dr. COPELAND'S own estimates, from the stealing of fares be stopped? The thefts have been estimated at over \$50,000,000 to \$100,000,000 to make \$5,000 daily in Brooklyn. example, asking for \$1,000,000 more New York rat proof. Until this tax than he got last time. His depart- burdened town gets on its feet and it ought to get hundreds of thousands sities the owners of rat infested buildings will have to do their own

Of course, if some genius could rid New York of its two legged rats session laws and by slashing out other fifty or a hundred millions would sound reasonable.

In the death of Horario W. SET MOUR yesterday our neighbor the World lost a valuable worker in its staff and the newspaper profession a member who in his daily labors sup-ported its best traditions.

ARRAHAM KITTLE of Detroit am a pipe until he was 106 and then abandoned the weed. He died recently at 114, and his neighbors undoubtedly

Senator McCormick is in Genevand finds the League of Nation thered by the eloquence of its bers." Apparently unnecessary pratory is a worldwide habit of man-kind. It afflicts all public assemblies, great and small. The silent legislator a rare citizen in the United States

December.

Blear-eyed, unkempt, dishevelled, drags itself

To sink again into its couch of clouds Ere day has fairly gone. The evening

star In glorious splendor supplements the task Of lengthening the day. The night express
Roars through a flurry of soft snow and

With thunderous staccato. And at six The snow has gone, and in the west ap-

roofs

While ruddy, frost-etched windows lure To thoughts of Life, of Love Divine

come down.

Unskilled Labor Wanted. Present Laws Can Safeguard Us

The total estimated resources of the From Undesirable Immigran To THE NEW YORK HERALD: If

the Legislature must not listen to it.

The strong Governor in the Executive alien within our borders by deportation and keeping out such as have sought

economy and trim all construction are behind this proposed exclusion in work down to the last item, they will the hope that they will be able to tighten not be on the job of managing the their grip on the industries of this countries. try and maintain war wages to their own advantage but to the serious detriment of the rest of the people. They will find, however, that this cannot be done, for without the unskilled labor to produce the raw materials there will be precious little work for them to do, and besides you cannot thwart the forces the police situation shines one act for of economics, which are making for which the rank and file of the depart-defiation in wages as well as commodities and everything else.

There should be some legislation

however, for the Americanization of which Lieutenant Flord Horron aliens when they arrive, for the preproved how faithful to his oath a vention of their congestion in our cities and industrial centres and to safe Horron was not on duty, except in guard them against exploitation, which the sense that every policeman is albers attempted to escape in a motor I. W. W., and making the advecacy of car Horron clung to the car and their doctrines a felony. There is no

of policeman that this town likes to the Staten Island municipal line, the think is looking out for its safety, fault is partly with the companies. had a hand in the investigation of the ual Training High School, where his sisa "fare thief." My daughter likewise were then permitted to align themselves

My daughter is in the graduating class of the bookkeeping course, and cach month has occasion to ride back and forth on the Gates avenue line, when been needed by a public which was and forth on the Gates avenue line, when she brings the rent to our agent in formed me that at one point an inspector audited the number of passengers upon the car she was in by givng casual glances up at the windows as he paced the length of one side of had joked the conductor all along the line about "knocking down." My daughter later counted seven fares unre nobody will combat as a theory. The tered, yet the car was inspected and

This farce goes on daily. Why cannot

BROOKLYN, December 17.

A Mystery of Sauerkraut.

Why Should a Pail Be Needed for It When the Moon Is Full? To THE NEW YORK HERALD: I am

lover of sauerkraut, notwithstanding an idiosyncratic makeup that limits me to three annual messes of it, due to the

About ten days ago I visited my grocer with an order for one quart of sauerkraut, and was surprised to have him ask me where my pail was—I had to have a pail. Heretofore he sandwiched the item between two pasteboard would anything else, and I told him so. Yes, he replied, but didn't I know this is full moon weather and the brine

May I ask if any of the favored mem ers of your clientele can let me know how an inconstant moon can so influ-ence sauerkraut? B. James. HIGHLAND FALLS, December 17.

A Michigan Woman Started Sc

From the Marshall Chronicle.

John Grace while delivering goods at the residence of Garrett Casey Monday afternoon was attracted to the bathroom by Mrs. was attracted to the bathroom by Mrs. Casey, who was screaming. He found that she had been operating a washing machine and the drain had become stopped up. Mrs. Casey got down on her knees and stuck the little finger of the right hand in the drain to open it. The finger got caught and she could not release it. Mr. Grace hustled down to the plumber and took him to the Caser hum. The machine was the mark.

Plenty of Blackberry Jam for England.

From the London Chronicle.

The rains have probably put an end to a record blackberry season. It is many weeks since people set out on what they thought would be the last blackberrying expedition. would be the last blackberrying expedition. In my own home, writes a correspondent, it became a long drawn out joke, for every day for a month past, up to last Saturday, my wife and children have started out after lunch for what was to be the final harvest among the brambles. But the harvest was prolonged from day to day, thanks to the dry and generally sunny weather, and all

'Lucia' Given at Opera With New Ballet Daily Calendar

Miss Mabel Garrison in Title Role and Mr. Gigli as Edgardo-"Il Carillon Magico" Repeated.

At the Metropolitan Opera House last evening the programme comprised and Mr. and Mrs. Charles M. Connfeit, who were in Box 26, and Mrs. H. Casimir de Rham. mermoor" and the ballet Pick-Manglasalirs "Il Carillon Magico." The pathetic tale of the Scotch lassie who was married to the wrong man, murdered him on her wedding night and thereby appended a famous mad scene had not previously

this final scene and the sextet, but there are several other melodious numbers, for no dramatic agentes could tempt Donisetti to write anything but pretty tunes. The performance was one of commendable quality. Rentamino Gigil was a good Edgerde. That is probably as much as could be said of any contemporaneous impersonator of the son of Ravenawood. There was once a truly great Edgerdo, dtale Campanini by name, but who cares for ancient history? Mr. Gigil was manly and at times impassioned, and he sang the music not only with a fine, fresh tone but with no small understanding of its style. He again pleased his hearers and won additional inurels.

and industrial centres and to such guard them against exploitation, which embitters them and gives them a wrong and very bad impression of our institutions. There should also the laws banding absolutely revolutionary organizations within our borders, such as the performance served as a tions within our borders, such as the performance served as a preface to Mrs. Belimont Tiffany's support and hall in the RiterCariton. In Box 2 were Mrs. Work Hewitt, Mr. the decision or place for such organizations or the advocacy of their revolutionary organizations and Mrs. Antonic Mrs. Work Mrs. Charles R. Washinngton, D. C., December 17.

Why Fares Go Astray.

Why Fares Go Astray.

A Motorman Thinks the Companies Could Check Dishonesty.

To THE NEW YORK HERALD: If some Could Check Dishonesty.

To THE NEW YORK HERALD: If some trolly employees steal fares, as is charged in the case of a motorman on the Staten Island municipal line, the fairty with the companies.

I have maintained myself and my fairty from any members of parties in the boxes the performance served as a preface to Mrs. Belimont Tiffany's support and a preface to Mrs. Belimont Tiffany's support and a preface to Mrs. Belimont Tiffany's support and the line that the Companies of their doctrines a felony. There is no the University of the Companies of the Advocacy of their revolutionary per and ball in the Riter Revolutions, and the Interested Science of the Advocacy of their revolutionary per and Mrs. Antonia Mrs. Charles E Sampon in Box 2 included Mrs. William The Programme Consisted of the Pastoral' symphony, the concert in Edulation of the seagulementanial of Scienty Content. The programme consisted of the Pastoral' symphony to Scient In Edulation of the seagulementanial of Scienty Content. The programme consisted of the Pastoral' symphony to Scient In Edulation of the seagulementanial of Scienty of the C

From the National Marine. Riding idly on the stream,

Here and there a glint of gold

And give her flery steamers breath

Hulks, 'twere better far, I know,
If yours had been the end instead,
When great ships founder, and below
Rest till the sea gives up its dead.
FELAX RIESENSERO

Drilling Without Arms.

The Military Training Law Declare

to Have Failed in Its Purpose.

TO THE NEW YORK HERALD: It is

ost the State \$350,000 this year and

penses of the State. This is an excellent reason for the proposed action, but there is another equally compelling, namely, the unavoidable futility and ineffective-

This law is a hasty, incomplete and

This law is a hasty, incomplete and ill considered measure passed presumably under the excitement of the great war in 1916. Every youth between 18 and 19 years must register and attend drills either at school or at evening classes. No uniforms, arms or equipment are provided. The majority of the classes are therefore necessarily

the classes are therefore necessarily confined to the school of the soldier without arms. The lads who must walk about in order in their civilian clethes

bored and disgusted.

Speaking from experience in the Na

tional Guard and as company com-mander during the war, and after watching these drills in a local armory

for more than a year, I am convinced that so-called training of this nature is

all but useless as preparation for the duties of a soldier and that it indirectly

does harm. The young men do not like

or enjoy it, as is evidenced by the fact

that they take any means or excuse to escape drills. Three years of this bore-

Unless and until the Federal Govern-

hand for those who would prepare them-

National Guard and to prevent the ex-penditure of funds in a futile, self-de-

Late Captain Infantry, A. E. F.

NEW YORK, December 45

for an hour or so inevitably

Black and grimy as the night. Through the years you dream Of your youth when decks were white

"Eroica" Symphony Is Played. The "Eroica" symphony was the principal number of the Beethoven estival week's programme given by he National Symphony Orchestra last sight at Carnegie Hall. Mr. Bodanzky principal number of the Beethoven festival week's programme given by the National Symphony Orchestra last night at Carnegie Hall. Mr. Bodanzky had evidently paid great attention to the composer's plan of the work in the essentials of poetic beauty and his essentials of poetic beauty and his reading was warmly received. The sec-ond number was Mozart's E flat con-certo for two planos, in which the soloists were Mme. Olga Samaroff and Heinrich Gebhard.

The performance of this seldom heard

Miss Bacon's Last Recital.

Miss Bacon's Last Recital.

Miss Katherine Bacon gave the third and last in a series of three plane recitals yesterday in Aeolian Hall. In difficult music by Bach, Franck, Chopin and Lisst her performance showed a sameness of style but a charming plane tone quality and musical taste. Some good finger work was done in an encore, Chopin's F minor etude, opus 25, No. 2, while one of the most pleasing pieces she played was another encore at the close, the prelude in G of Rachmaninoff. Not an interpreter of greater breadth, she was delightfully successful in Debussy's "Reflets Dans L'Eau."

In the evening, in the same hall, Elle Robert Schmits, known as a specialist in plane works of the modern French school, gave a programme, in part conventional, which comprised music by Bach, transcribed by Lisst, Scariatti, Couperin, Chopin, Ravel, Debussy and a piece heard here for the first time by P. Le Flem, called "Avril." His playing had clarity with finish, and it interested his hearers.

Arizona.

Lieut. and Mrs. Silvano A. Andrew and Mr. And Mrs. Charles Brackett Barclay were with Mrs. A. F. Lauterbach in Box 50. Others in the audience were Miss Mary Pearsail Field and Mrs. J. Lee Tailer, who were in Box 25; Dr. and Mrs. Ernest Fahnestock, who

Inwood Waits for Cars.

Lines in Upper Manhattan.

To THE NEW YORK HERALD: The the transit lines serving the Heights and Inwood. These include the surface.

hour are not uncommon; they have been ural History, at the museum, Seventy-se-enth street and Central Park West, 10:3 will require a much larger amount for next year, in view of the possibility of a Federal military training plan and

To illustrate the condition of the ser
To illustrate the condition of the serfor a southbound car. He was patient, but no car came in sight. Finally a car going north came along and for the ber. This car had to go about a mile north of Academy street before being switched to the southbound tracks.

rewarded by the sight of an approach-This is typical of the service being furnished Inwood at the present time; in fact, it is the kind of service that part of Manhattan lying north of 181st street is getting from the Broadway line. New York, December 17.

Florida Woodchucks. First Members of Family Introdu to State by Pennsylvanian.

From the Florida Fisherman. The time is coming when Florida have woodchuck hunting among its other sports. The first groundhog has arrived and is raising a cracker family

scape drills. Three years of the second of t until it acquired groundhogs, so he se-cured a female the last time he was North and brought her with him to worse, they contract a disgust with the whole business that will prevent their ever wanting any more of it. The ulti-mate effect on recruiting for the Na-Florida, turning her loose at Orange Center in October, 1919. In July, 1926, tional Guard, not to mention the army. he dug her out in a hammork she had equatted in and she had five healthy ment provides some plan for universal training the best and only means at Mr. Keene purchased the land sur-

rounding groundhog headquarters, and if the new wild animal finds a permanent abode in Florida he will lay claim street ganized militia. Anything which dis-courages recruiting by creating a dis-taste for soldiering is pernicious. It folto the distinction of introducing it they should become too numer ever, farmers will be liable to roar that will shock him. Fred Fern of Fallen Timber, Pa., caught the specimen originally.

> Thought for the Day From Kansas From the Atchison Globs.

promptly abolished. Governor Smith has, it seems, twice recommended to the Legislature its elimination, but the latter merely increased the appropriation instead of taking his recommendation. From the military as well as the economic point of view it is hoped that

THE WEATHER.

For houtern New York—Partly cloudy to-day; to-morrow generally fair; strong northwest winds.

For New Jersey—Partly cloudy to-day; to-morrow fair; not much change in temperature; fresh to strong west winds.

For Northern New England—Cloudy to-day, possibly light snow in north portlons: to-morrow generally fair and colder; moder-to-morrow generally fair and colder; moder-



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EVENTS TO-DAY.

The Lotos Club will give a dinner to George Ade at the club house, 110 Wget Piffy-seventh street, 7 P. M.
Members of the New York Press Club and the New-papermen's Benevolent Learne will hold a "midnight froile" at the New York Press Club, 21 Spruce street, this evening.
Health Commissioner Dr. Royal S. Copcland and Benjamin Schlessinger, will speak at the opening celebration of the Union Health Centre, 131 East Seventeenth attect, 130 P. M. Schemer enlisted men of the U. S. General Heapital 1, Gunhill road, The Bronx, with Former enlisted men of the U. S. Genera Hospital 1, Gunhill road, The Bronx, with hold a reunion and dinner at Cavanaugh's restaurant, 208 West Twenty-third street

The Council has submitted to the commission a number of complaints from persons who have suffered from the apparent lack of proper service. One of the complainants says that one evening recently he was forced to wait for thirty-dwe minutes at the corner of 207th street and Broadway for a car.

Residents of Inwood are especially interested in this particular complaint, for the reason that they declare that for some months the troiley service on Broadway has been abominable. The cars are few, especially at night. Waits varying from fifteen minutes to half an hour are not uncommon; they have been street and Central Museum of Natural History, at the museum, Seventy-sevents and Central Museum of Natural History, at the museum, Seventy-sevents and Central Museum of Natural History, at the museum, Seventy-sevents and Central Park West, 10:20-

Art. 4 P. M.
Camp Berkehire will hold a luncheon at the Hotel Commodore, 12:30 P. M.
National Society of French Teachers in America, meeting, Waddigh High School. 114th street, near Seventh avenue, 2 P. M.
The Triangle Club of Princeton University will give an entertainment at the Waldorf. Astoria, 2 P. M. and 8 P. M.
Camp Red Wing will give a luncheon and dance at the Hotel Commodore, 1 P. M.

PUBLIC LECTURES TO-NIGHT. "America" Undring Moral Values," by Prof. William B. Guthrie, at Cooper Union.

"Agassis: or the Sacredness of Truth," by Prof. Samuel C. Schmucker, at Townsend Harris Hail, C. C. N. Y., Amsterdam avenue and JiSht street.

"American Literature To-day," by Prof. William B. Otis, at Y. M. C. A., Harlem Branch, 5 West 120th street.

Miss Cora Chase Arrives Home.

Miss Cora Chase, the first American lyric soprano to Join the Metropolitan Opera forces, arrived yesterday by the Transatiantics Italians liner Giuseppe Verdi, accompanied by her mother. Mrs. Mary Chase. It is her first visit to her Mary Chase. It is her first visit to her native land in seven years and she selected the Giuseppe Verdi for the voyage because the liner is named for her favorite composer and because she made her debut abroad in Verdi's home town in September. 1815, singing the role of Gida in "Rigoletto," a niece of the composer. Maria Carrara Verdi, applauded her and later invited her to the Verdi home, giving her a page from the verdi home, giving her a page from the opera "Traviata" in the handwriting of Verdi and with his autograph.

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Miss Chase later sang it the Royal Opera House in Madrid and King Alfonso invited her to the royal box to meet his mother, the Queen being then in Eng he was him to George several days and then go to Boston to spend Christmas. She is scheduly, 1920, uled to make her first appearance at the Metropolitan in February.

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Wasselington, Dec. 17.—The purchase for President Wilson of the former home here of Henry P. Fairbanks, 2340 N street Northwest, was announced to-day by R. J. Belling, the President brother-in-law. The house will be the permanent residence of the President after his retirement from office March 4. Mr. Belling said the property would pass into the possession of its new owner Pebruary 15 or before.

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